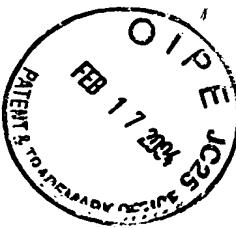


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Inv^t application of: BEIER et al.
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 Filed: 02/01/2002
 For: BANDING-REDUCED IMAGING A PRINTING FORM

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Transmitted herewith is a Response to Office Action (6 pgs) in the above-identified application.

[] Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.
 [] Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
 [X] No fee for additional claims is required.
 [] A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

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INDEP. CLAIMS	* Minus***	=	0	x \$ 42 \$		x \$ 84 \$	
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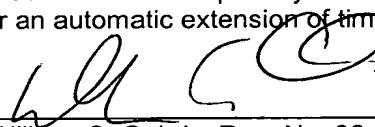
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[X] The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

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In response to the office action dated November 12, 2003 received in the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully request reconsideration of the application based on the following amendments and remarks.

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